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Editorial

TEN YEARS OF AFU

In March 1983 Archives for UFO Research could look back on an even ten years of existence. We started in a climate where Swedish ufology, as a whole, split up into different fractions based on very specific and different ideas about what was considered important, by each group, in this vast field. Unlike many others I now think this was a good trend. Total integration of all groups, individuals and ideas is an impossible thing. If you try to "keep it together" you just waste a lot of time and energy on compromises - resources you could use on something you feel is more productive.

The idea behind AFU was to create a library and archives institution that could serve Swedish ufologists as a lending-library and source-retrieval focal point. We soon discovered that this was quite a task in view of the ever-growing size of ufological and related literature, and that many other ideas had to be laid aside. By concentrating our efforts on the library function I believe we have been a more effective "group".

When I had a look at all those little index cards that constitute our records of past loans to supporters all over Sweden I realized the importance this activity might have had on Swedish UFO research. AFU has dispatched an average of 100-150 book loans each year. Our collection is unique in that it holds material not available from any other Swedish library.

Similar archives/libraries are now being formed in other countries. In Great Britain several groups are moving in this direction (ASSAP, OSEAP) while in the United States a central library has been proposed by Richard Haines (in PICUR's "UFO International") and by Bob Girard (in "The Sixth Quark Journal"). Some researchers, though, seem to doubt the merits of an institution of this kind (see, for instance, a recent issue of "Probe Report"). In the light of this I would like to put forth a few humble words of advice on "how to do" and "how not to do":

1. Don't be too ambitious! Concentrate, for instance, on "the printed word" and leave the collection of "audio-visuals" or "investigation reports" to the archives of a UFO magazine, or an active report centre, or another archives group, or until you'll have better resources yourself. You can't do it all, at least if you're only a handful of people! And you can't afford it!
2. Draw up strict rules from the beginning. If you have a professional librarian in the group you'll get a tremendous help on how to set up rules that govern who's allowed to borrow from the library, and under what circumstances. Keep careful records of each-and-every borrower and each-and-every loan.
3. Keep it open! People are willing to support you, and make donations, only if they feel the collection is - and will be - kept apart from any private collection and if the collec-

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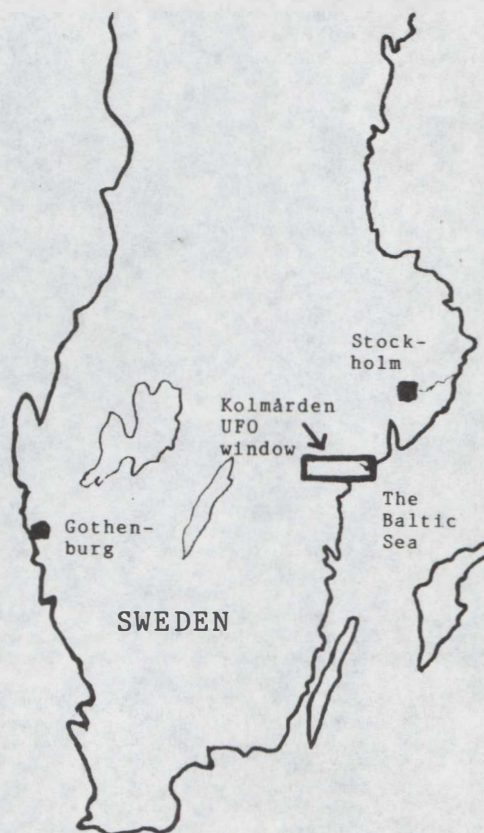
Reports

KOLMARDEN - A SWEDISH UFO WINDOW

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In certain areas UFOs are seen more frequently than in other zones. These places are often termed "UFO windows". One area where there seems to have been an unusual high rate of sightings is the southeastern part of the county of Södermanland, in Sweden. Most sightings have been reported from a very limited area, not more than 30 x 30 kms, between the towns of Nyköping and Oxelösund and the village Närkevarn. In the past decades there have been 44 documented UFO incidents in this particular area. This article takes a look at the cases and at the geological properties of the Kolmården terrain, which might explain the unusual high rate of UFO reports. Research now underway in Sweden aligns closely with the works of Devereux (in England) and Persinger (in the United States).

Where the counties of Södermanland and Östergötland meet, primary rocks tower above the sea. The Kolmården rocks reach 150 metres above the water level of the bay Bråviken. In the Kolmården area one finds miles upon miles of deep forests, once the home of robbers and wild wolves. There are also wide areas of swamps, as in the northern parts of Sweden. Kolmården is one of Sweden's main fault lines. Here, primary rocks



cracked open about 450 million years ago. In the fault, sea pushed forward and created the bay of Bråviken, reaching to the town of Norrköping.

Along the bay of Bråviken you will find small villages, like Kvarsebo and Navekvarn. To the north, on the Baltic, is Oxelösund a town dominated by its iron works. Between Navekvarn and Oxelösund one finds the Tunaberg peninsula, Sweden's most southerly mining area. Mining went on here from the Middle Ages until the early 20th century. Iron, copper and cobalt were mined but there are also deposits of lead, manganese and sulphur. Gamma radiation from the bed-rock is intense, displaying a raised radioactivity level from the ground. Ore-mining went on in the area which is now the township of Nyköping and also at Svärta to the north-east from Nyköping.

In this beautiful scenery people have spotted unidentified flying objects during the past decades. This has taken on such proportions that the area has been spoken about as a "UFO window" - a place where UFOs appear and disappear frequently.



quently. The questions are: Is there anything that distinguishes this area from the rest of Sweden? Are there any connections between UFO-windows and geological disturbances?

Many of the incidents in our Kolmården catalog are difficult to explain. We present here a summarized case listing plus a few - more detailed - reports on some of the more interesting cases, starting off and ending with two incidents that may have no direct connection to UFO phenomena, but possibly to the theories regarding force-fields and magnetic fields we will touch upon later.

Case listing

Case	Date	Time	Place	Witnesses	Description of phenomena
1	60s		Road E-4	Many motorists	Windscreens mysteriously cracked at same spot
2A	641004	2300	Oxelösund bay	Three men in sailing boat	Round green-yellow object, zig-zag course
2B	641005	0300	Near Kvarsebo	-- same witnesses --	Luminous oval, big as the moon
3	670823	2000	Åby	Two youngsters, boy & girl	Mysterious lights, humanoid 130 cm tall, footprints. English report in APRO Bull Sept-Oct 67.
4	690910	Night	Near Nyköping	Motorist (man)	Lum. object, orange beams, smoke-rings
5	700126	Even.	W part of Nyköping	Two motorists, two girls	Small 'saucer' dived at car
6	7008	20/23	Oxelösund	3 in a family + neighbour	White/red object circled area
7	70 winter		Kolmården	--	Large triangular impression in snow, no traces leading to/from, careful military investigation
8A	720413	2215	Lövsta - Navekvarn	Motorist (man)	Followed by bluegreen object two nights in row, close sighting, static on radio
8B	720414	2215	-- same location --	-- same witness --	Blue-violet luminous ball, no sound
9	729422	2150	Road towards Nyköping	Lady motorist	Orange object, followed car
10	720626	0000	Road Nyköping-Tunaberg	Motorist (man)	Bluish ball over lake, electric disturbances
11	7208	2300	Lake Långhalsen	Man	Round, strongly luminous object
12	730717	2145	Bråviken bay	Nine persons in a boat	Big round object with portholes, no sound
13	7409		Vagnhärad - Vårdinge	Motorists (two ladies)	Object, whitish like magnesium, changed course
14	750805	2100	Oxelösund	Man and wife	Silvery triangle, luminous, very fast tow. NE
15	760821	1828	Kvarsebo	3 + 1 witnesses	5 different objects within 8 min, very fast, one like giant bird with rigid wings
16	760824	2300	Nyköping	Man and wife	Formation of 16-18 discs, colour changes
17	7609 -early		Baltic off Oxelösund	Three men in fishing-boat	V-formation of 15-20 luminous objects
18	760930	2001	Nyköping	Man and his mother	Formation of 20-25 lights
19	761105	1920	Oxelösund	Man	Silvery disc, hovered at 500 m distance
20	761204	1300	Oxelösund	Man	White, sharply luminous object
21	761223	0648	Oxelösund	Man	Two red-orange objects
22	761223	1530	Tystberga, near the nuclear plant at Studsvik	Two men in car	
23	770108	1535	Nyköping, Kvarsebo, Tystberga, Oxelösund	No less than 53 witnesses at many locations	Five disc-like objects over area, "glowing".
24	770108	2200	Nyköping	A pensioner (man)	
25	770109	0010	Oxelösund	Man	Two red balls, full-moon size
26	770128	1600	W part of Nyköping	Two youngsters	Red-white light over the iron works
27	770210	1740	W part of Nyköping	Man and wife	4 roundish discs, antennas or tails
28	770329	2230	Tystberga, a school	Two pupils	Eggshaped object, jerky movements, seen also at 1830 and 2020 hours same evening
29	770412	1037	Ramdalshöjden, Oxelösund	Young woman	Object with three windows, buzzing sound
30	780618	1530	Stommel-Stomma	Woman + two boys	Small brown disc above water-tower, whistling sound. Very strong rumbling noise in wide area several times after sighting. Noise unexplained.
31	780723	1945	Djursvik, Oxelösund	Three adults	Very large object passed over open field, thundering sound, very strong light. See AFU 15.
32	790220	2340	Stjärnholm	Married couple in car	A tubshaped object, airplane size
33	790417	2100	Stjärnholm	-- same witnesses --	Egg-shaped, intensely bluewhite UFO. Car-engine malfunctioned, restarted when obj. disappeared
34	790420	1152	Jogersö, Oxelösund	One witness	Four luminous objects, buzzing sound
35	790730	0140	30 km NE Nyköping	Truck driver	3 oval objects, high speed towards south
36	800705	2350	Lake Näsavjörn	Three anglers	Oval, brilliant light above road. Tilted on edge and disapp into clouds at high speed
37	801001	1800	Oxelösund	A woman	A luminous ball above the water
38	8105	0100	Råby	Two witnesses	Two gray objects, high speed
39	8105	day	Stjärnholm	Man	Luminous object in the NE, pillar of smoke
40	810808	1330	Oxelösund	Motorist	Starlike object in daylight, acceleration
41	811015		Stigtomta	Two boys	Black ball, changed course, acceleration
42	811121	1500	Road Kvarsebo - Navekvarn	Married couple in car	A ball, buzzing sound, disapp into thin air
43	811222	1340	Stigtomta	Ten witnesses	A fire-coloured rotating wheel, 8 m in diam.
44	820215	2125	Navekvarn	Woman and man	Darkgrey squarish object, 'like a sheet'
45	820525	2225	Road Nyköping - Oxelösund	Lady motorist	Large plate & small light, disapp suddenly
46	820924	Even	Bråviken bay	Three firemen in boat	Two white brilliant balls, one followed car
					Submarine object, radar went haywire, strong current in water.

Selected case reports from the Kolmården area

Case 1

In the early 60s local policemen were puzzled by so called "windscreen death" along the E4 motorway in the Kolmården area. On one day, in the spring, window-panes on no less than seven cars were destroyed in the neighbourhood of Jönåker. There were no other cars in the area, so the screens could not have been hit by stones from other cars. The incidents took place in a downhill slope near the Gävlebacken farm, where the road levels off before an ascent. Several of the drivers could have been killed, since wind-screens of that age became completely opaque by dense lines of fissures.

The incidents occurred between 1100 and 1500 hours on one Saturday, and the roadway had a snowcover. One motorist from Enstaberga was hit twice this day; the first time when he turned into the E4 south of Jönåker. He stopped and cracked the screen so that he could look forward, and then drove to a glazier in Nyköping where he got a new screen. As he returned to Jönåker the new screen broke up, too, at almost the same spot as before. At the glazier he was told that other cars had been hit on the very same spot. Glazier Göte Hellström, who changed wind-screens on four of the cars, says that none of the panes seemed to have been hit by hard objects such as stones.

Atmospheric pressure, of some kind, was discussed at the time, but no one knew for sure. (The very same discussion took place after a Norwegian incident on Oct 29, 1970 when Reidar Salvesen's car had a broken windscreen when he saw a disc-shaped object over his car. For details see my report in Flying Saucer Review Case Histories, supplement Four. -Editor).

For many years pilots have wondered whether there are unknown tensions caused by the ore-fields in Kolmården. Several strange aerial disasters have occurred in this mountainous area. At the end of the 50s four fighter pilots were killed as they dived through the ice-cover of Lake Glottern, in close formation, during an instrumented flying exercise in their J-29 "Flying barrel" fighters. What happened, that could have affected the instruments in four fighters simultaneously? Speculations were that electro-magnetic disturbances in the area caused the planes to dive straight into the small lake in the western part of Kolmården.

Case 8

On April 13 and 14, 1972, Mr Sven G Närholm saw a bluish or bluish-green ball of light that followed his car two nights in succession. Närholm was on his way home from work heading for Närkevarn at 2215 hours. Near the shop at Lövata he first spotted the luminous ball at an altitude of about 10 metres, and the object then paced his car to the outskirts of Närkevarn. The UFO was about one meter in diameter and noiseless. "It seemed to me as if it kept me under observation and followed the car, changing from the left side to the right, and back again. The trip took me about 10 or 15 minutes and the object was sometimes only 10 metres from my car. In the last bend before Närkevarn, the object changed course towards the woods and disappeared. On the next evening exactly the same incident was repeated, and at the same time, but since then I have not seen anything. On the first night I had the radio turned on and it was disturbed by a whistling or squeaking sound". (Sources: Ufologen issue 7-8, 1973 and Södermanlands Nyheter, 72-06-29).

Case 11

August 1972. At 2300 hours Mr Olof Fredriksson observed a bluish ball hovering above the surface of Lake Långhalsen to the NW of Nyköping. He spotted the object when the electric lights in his summer cottage started to twinkle. The filaments in the bulbs just glowed in the room where he was. He went out and saw the object. When it disappeared lights went on again. (Source: UFO-Nyköping investigation).

Case 23

Between 1535 and 1555 on Jan 8, 1977, at least 53 witnesses at Nyköping, Kvarsebo, Tystberga and Oxelösund observed unidentified objects manoeuvring in the area. The five objects moved to the south of Nyköping and were headed towards south. Two of them were large and had cupolas while the other three were disc-like or like balls according to different witnesses. They were "glowing-red". (Source: a well-documented UFO-Nyköping investigation).

Case 29

At 1037 hours on April 12, 1977 a young woman at Ramdalsehöjden, Oxelösund caught sight of a round disc-shaped plate flying at an altitude of 100 m above the water-tower. It was brownish and had a diameter of 3-4 metres. The object had a whistling sound and went straight

towards the witness, who was in her apartment. Then it stopped and hovered for 3-4 seconds, when details were discernible: "The disc had a feeler or antenna with a round ball at the top". The UFO then accelerated towards the Bråviken bay in the south and disappeared. Then came a strong, very dull, rumbling sound which made window-panes rattle. This rumbling sound was registered in half of the county of Södermanland. At three times during that day the southern and eastern parts of the county were shook by unexplained noises from above. (Sources: UFO-Nyköping investigation).

Case 32

At 2340 hours on Febr 20, 1979 Mrs Elvy Jagersö and her husband drove from Oxelösund to Nyköping. Near Stjärnholm they saw, above the treetops, an egg-shaped sharply bluish-white light. The light approached and illuminated the interior of the car. Soon the car's engine stopped so that the couple couldn't continue. It was a very cold evening (20 degrees below zero Centigrade) so this was a most unpleasant situation. A while later, however, the object went away and then the engine started immediately. Neither before nor after this incident has this car had an engine failure. (Source: UFO-Nyköping investigation).

Case 36

July 5, 1980, Lake Näsavjörn, near Närkevarn. Peder Eriksson, Sören Unnskog and Ann-kristin Unnskog were angling at 2350 hours when they saw a large ball-shaped object which descended towards the water-level of Lake Näsavjörn. The object came near to the witnesses and changed colour as it changed speed. Most often it was yellow-white at the centre and redish round the edge. No noise heard. (Source: well-documented investigation by UFO-Nyköping).

Case 42

On Nov 21, 1981, a lady (H.F) and her husband drove between Kvarsebo and Närkevarn when, near the rock Rödklint, they caught sight of a slowly rotating, fire-coloured wheel which appeared over the treetops. It was a round object, which had a flat bottom where there was a kind of protrusion. The UFO came from the west and went towards east, towards Närkevarn. Time was 1500 hours. The object had a diameter of abt. 8 metres and the fire-coloured light changed luminosity. There was also a weak bluish-violet shine that surrounded the object in all directions. Two other observers, Mr Göthe Göransson and Mrs Gunilla Ståhle, watched and photographed the object from a distance. (Source: UFO-Nyköping investigation).

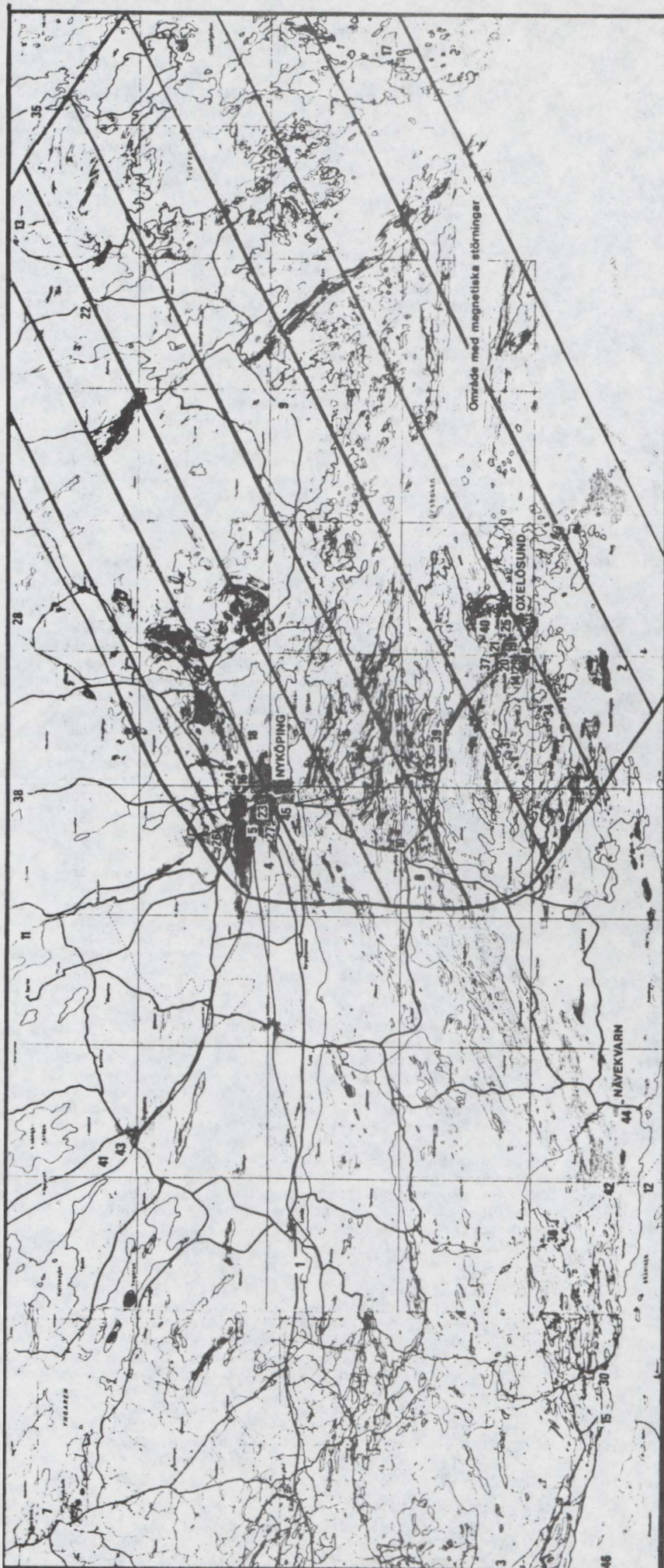
Case 46

ON Sept 24, 1982, three firemen from the Norrköping fire-brigade Björn Lindh, Christer Jonsson and Håkan Jonsson met an unidentified object on and below the water-surface of Bråviken, to the south of the village Sandviken. They were on a training-trip in the firebrigade's rescue-boat when suddenly the radar printed a number of echos on open water, where there should be no obstruction. At the spot in question there is a water-depth in excess of 20 metres. In front of them they saw a big black circle on the water from which came a groove of foam. Seeing the danger the firemen reversed the engine, but this couldn't stop the boat from drifting into the dark circle. As this happened the radar stopped working - it went all white. The rudder also became locked and the boat started a helpless dance, turned around by powerful currents from below. Evidently something very big was diving very fast. Whether this was a USO or a conventional submarine from a foreign nation remains an open question. (The following week Swedish Navy forces started a two-week futile hunt for several unknown objects off the Navy's most secret base at Muskö; about 100 kms NE of the Bråviken-Kolmården area. -Editor).

UFO windows

Journalist John Keel was the first researcher to talk about "UFO windows". He thinks these places often display magnetic disturbances. At such spots the most unbelievable things can turn up, especially during magnetic storms (caused by eruptions on the sun during sun-spot activities). In such areas one can observe UFOs, poltergeists and even monsters of different kinds, such as Bigfoot. During flaps UFOs move within an area of 320 kms from these places. They move in straight lines but disappear as they reach beyond this "circle", Keel thinks (1).

In 1954 France was hit by an intense UFO wave. 200 UFO landings were reported that year and there are many cases of humanoids. 40% of these cases occurred near faults (as against 20% that could be expected at such places) (2). Claude Poher found a correlation between UFO activity



This map shows the magnetic properties of the southeastern part of the Swedish county of Södermanland, the Kolmården area.

- o Shaded areas show deposits of magnetic ores.
- o An area of magnetical disturbances in the western part of Kolmården is marked with heavy-drawn, slanting lines.
- o UFO sightings during the past 20 years are depicted with numbers that refer to the case listing and catalog.

A striking thing about this map is the concentration of cases around the towns Nyköping and Oxelösund. This can be explained by a higher rate of population density, but both towns are within the magnetical disturbance area.

What is most interesting about the map, however, is that it shows a strong correlation between UFO sightings and crops of magnetic ores. Out of 44 sightings, 39 are closely aligned to zones with magnetic ores, or positioned in the magnetical disturbance area.

Cases nr 15, 30, 36, 42, 12, 44, 8, 10, 32, 33 and 39 follow, exactly, a prominent zone of magnetic ores. At 42 there is a discontinued ore mine.

Cases 3, 15, 30, 36, 42, 12 and 44 are also positioned directly on the Kolmården/Bråviken fault line.

The observation sites of cases 28, 13, 38, 3 and 46 do not fall within the limits of this map.

In the area immediately to the south of the Bråviken bay, an agricultural district called Vikbolandet, there have been very few, if any, UFO reports through the years.

and magnetic disturbances that same year (3). (Poher's theory is put in doubt by Steuart Campbell in the recent issue (vol 28, no 3) of Flying Saucer Review -Editor).

Some theories

The Swede Ragnar Forshufvud has theorized (4) that UFOs could be caused by electrical discharges from faults in the earth's crust. Earth-magnetic storms cause strong electrical currents, so called earthstreams, which float through the crust. In fault areas flash-overs occur which can be observed as giant ball lightnings. These UFOs are cells of oscillating electromagnetic energy. They ionize (charge) the air, which is made to glare with different colours, says Forshufvud.

Michael A Persinger and Gyslain F Lafrenière are two Canadian researchers who have computed 6.000 unusual occurrences from Charles Fort's books and other sources. They present data that point to a connection between UFOs, unusual phenomena and geophysical activities, such as earthquakes. In areas of geophysical activity, faults or magnetic deviations, there can be a temporarily built-up, very strong electromagnetic field. These fields might produce light phenomena, or make people experience hallucinations, but Persinger and Lafrenière also speculate on the possibility that this temporary field might create deviations in the space/time so that "doors into the unknown" are opened (5).

What forces could then produce such an electromagnetic field?

1. Piezo-electrical phenomena

When quartz crystals are put under very great pressure there is an electrical polarization in the crystals. Theoretically, this could create strong electrical tensions. Bed-rock in "our" area - Kolmården - is rich with quartz.

2. Fault lines - magnetic storms

The Kolmården/Bråviken zone is one of Sweden's main fault lines.

3. Magnetic deviations

During magnetic storms bodies of ore, surrounded by isolating mountains, could be magnetically charged. These bodies of ore build a magnetic field, like a gigantic magneto. We will then have magnetic disturbances. Compasses will be wrong. In the Baltic off Oxelösund there are magnetic deviations caused by a large body of ore below the bottom of the sea. This is the place where three fishers observed a formation of 16 UFOs coming from the West just 20 meters above the water (case 17).

All these geological deviations (piezo-electrical phenomena, magnetic ore & fault lines) often appear in combination in the same area. Where bed-rock has been on the move heavy elements from the earth's interior have found their way through cracks and folds. Movements of the bed-rock also caused faults and put quartz under heavy pressure. Since magnetic ores, faults and properties of quartz all are supposed to cause EM fields it could be difficult to separate the three phenomena from each other.

According to Persinger & Lafrenière a powerful EM field could become even stronger influenced by lesser bodies of ore near the surface of the earth. This amplification might also happen via cars, railway tracks or high voltage lines running through the area. This is interesting when we study the map of the Kolmården area. We then observe that no less than 39 out of 44 sightings took place near bodies of magnetic ore (the grey, shadowed areas scattered on the magnetic map), or in the magnetical deviation area (heavy-drawn lines on the same map).

UFOs and magnetical storms on the sun

A number of researchers hint at a connection between UFO activity and magnetic storms: John Keel, Claude Poher, Persinger/Lafrenière - even Forshufvud assumes such a connection.

To test the theory we compared registrations of the temporal fluctuations of magnetical deviations (from NASA/Goddard Space Flight Centre, Hourly Equatorial DST Values; supplied by the Geophysical Institute at Kiruna, Sweden) and UFO cases in the Nyköping area. There were no registrations for the older cases, but for 21 of the sightings a comparison was possible. These 21 cases show no connection with magnetical storms. The sightings occurred at random and in most cases (17 of them) during periods of "magnetical calm". 21 cases, however, is too small a sample to draw definite conclusions upon and further investigations ought to be made.

What then are people experiencing? What is a UFO? Let us briefly discuss the more prevailing theories, in connection with our Kolmården case catalog.

1. The extraterrestrial theory

Spaceships from other solar systems? Why are they appearing in and around our "windows"? Have they found a shortcut through space? Do they exist all the time, unseen by us, but become visible only as they pass through a UFO window?

2. Hallucinations

61% of the Kolmården cases have more than one witness. Case nr. 23 has no less than 53. In case 42 there was a series of eleven photos taken. The theory does not seem to apply in these cases.

3. Unknown natural physiological phenomena, ball lightning.

In case 42 one witness managed to get a series of photos. The UFO seen was dark against the sky, then it rises quickly and reflects the sun before disappearing. Another witness simultaneously saw, 40 kms apart, the UFO (or another). This witness says: "It seemed solid. Below was a protrusion like a handle". The witness had previously seen a ball lightning from a few metres distance and says "there was no resemblance". Are there dark ball lightnings with handles? In fact, 15 of the reported Kolmården cases speak of dark objects, or objects with discernable details. The theory can neither explain geometrical impressions in the ground (case 7) nor the observation of a humanoid (case 3).

4. The ultraterrestrial theory

This is the term created and used by Keel. Maybe UFOs doesn't come from our time-and-space at all? Are there creatures living on other wavelengths, from other dimensions? Are they entering our world through UFO windows? Maybe they are created by EM forces and have a very limited lifespan? This is an attractive theory to explain something we do not understand. The drawback is that it doesn't explain very much. Science has no interest in such an intangible theory.

Conclusion

There is a high probability for a connection between UFO phenomena and electromagnetic forces in the earth's crust. UFOs are often seen at places with geological or magnetical peculiarities. But how should this apparent connection be interpreted?

The UFO phenomenon in itself seems to contradict the laws of physics. UFOs perform impossible but intelligent manoeuvres at high speed and do not seem to be influenced by earth gravitation. They also seem to violate our sense of time-and-space, and to have existence in a world more or less separated from ours. Is it then possible to explain the phenomenon in physical terms, with our present knowledge of physics? Every attempt at explaining UFOs becomes guesswork, fiction or - if you so prefer - modern-day folklore. Thus we cannot, and will not, try to put forward an explanation.

What we can do is to study and document the phenomenon to better learn how it behaves and not

to have preconceived ideas but be open to new scientific discoveries. The continued developments in our "UFO window" will be most interesting to follow. We hope that other researchers - based on what we have reported here - will be inspired to make local investigations in other areas of Scandinavia where there are similar geological circumstances, or at places with a high rate of UFO activity.

We know yet another area in Sweden where unusual electromagnetic phenomena occur. This place is the sound between Botelnäset and Flinten in Lake Hotagen, in the western part of the county of Jämtland. Logdrivers reported that when they attempted to pass through this sound engines on their boats mysteriously stopped working and they were forced to row through the area until the engine could be restarted. This happened in the 40s and the motors were of the Volvo Penta making. It seems like the ignition systems couldn't cope with the electromagnetic force-field in this place. There are ore deposits of gold, uranium and copper in the area, and close by another deposit of quartz.

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Of course, there are times when we have to say "no" to people who write or phone us. This is especially true when it comes to "curiosity seekers" who want a swift and sure answer to the UFO problem. Misinformation abounds and we cannot help people who refuse to listen to other viewpoints. Instead, we try to put priority on researchers who share our conviction that there is still very much to learn from the data.

With a nostalgic look at the past ten years I can see several of our goals turned into reality: We have augmented the first collection by at least three or four times. We have set up a foundation to rule over the collection. We have established the library in a separate locality where anyone can come and do research on his own. We have an effective administration of the leading library. We have published Kjell Jonsson's brain-child since the early 70s, a Swedish UFO bibliography. And we have served our part in the education of Swedish ufologists by publication of our newsletters and by making a great part of ufology's literature available at a cost which is but a fraction of the cost of buying such a collection yourself. So the idea is definitely worth trying!!!

HYNEK IN SWEDEN

In mid-January Swedish ufologists were surprised by the sudden appearance, in Gothenburg, of Dr J Allen Hynek. Without prior knowledge of the two-day visit there was no possibility for any of the serious-minded Swedish groups & organizations to react in a proper way (for instance by arranging a symposium and/or a public appearance). I was one of a few Swedes, however, who took the opportunity of speaking, on the phone,

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Oldham & Laporte: UFO windows and magnetic faults. MUFON UFO Journal, January 1978.
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Report on Current Research. Michigan Anomaly Research, 1979, vol. 1, n. 1.

with "the dean of ufology", and this was certainly an up-lifting experience. Hynek expressed his interest in Swedish ufology and Swedish close encounter cases, and also related some of the latest news from America. Speaking of anniversaries, we established that both CUFOS and AFU has a 10th anniversary this year. Dr Hynek, hearing about AFUs "low-profile", research-oriented work, told me that a somewhat similar low-profile aim had been set for CUFOS in 1973, but that this had been countered (to Dr Hynek's disappointment, it seems) by the enormous publicity for the Center in the wake of Steven Spielberg's "Close Encounter of the Third Kind", which had forced CUFOS to become a more "public" organization than originally intended. The idea of a future visit to Sweden was discussed, and we hope this will be realized soon.

RESEARCH CONFERENCE

AFU and the Stockholm-based Association for Psychobiophysics arranged a well-received symposium in Stockholm, in November 1982. Amongst the 20 or 25 attendants were members of several local UFO groups in the UFO-Sweden organization, members of UFO-Sweden's board plus several individual researchers. Moderator was AFU's Håkan Blomqvist who provoked interesting discussions on research policies. AFU presented on-going research into the 1930s "ghost fliers" (Anders Liljegren) and new Swedish contactee experiences (Håkan Blomqvist). Journalist Juri Lina documented some of the interesting things going on in Russia, where he escaped from four years ago (see AFU 23). He's still having trouble with KGB people who harass him.

UFO-Sweden's chairman Christer Nordin reviewed the development of the national organization, which now has more than 3,000 members. He stated that the first phase in the organization's history was now over and promised that UFO-Sweden would take a new look at improving the quality of research performed by the group and its field investigators. UFO-Sweden plans to set up one or several "turn out groups" able to investigate, on short notice, a critical case on-the-spot. UFO-Sweden has also (10 years belated) joined forces with Project U.R.D., and UFO-Sweden's case reports are now fed into U.R.D's computer. (Project U.R.D. is also now feeding cases from the official files of the Swedish Research Institute of National Defence (FOA), a service paid for by FOA!). The symposium ended in discussions leading to a mutual feeling of understanding, and carried on a nice tradition of similar meetings in 1970 and 1979.

THE GEOLOGICAL THEORY ON UFOS

One of the signs of a new research policy in UFO-Sweden is presented in this issue of AFU with the kind permission of the editors of UFO-Sverige-Aktuellt (Box 175, S-733 00 Sala, Sweden). This is the analysis of a Swedish "UFO window" area,

Kolmården, which we thought would be of interest to foreign readers, particularly in the light of (!) Paul Devereux's new book "Earthlights", recently published in the UK. The geological theory, particularly as a means to explain "lights-in-the-sky"-type phenomena, has much to promise. The thought that geological conditions (faults, magnetic ores, pressures in the earth) might produce some so far uncharted phenomena seems quite logical, and it has the advantage of being scientifically testable. Dan Mattsson, the Swedish researcher who is pioneering this field in Sweden, also reviews the Devereux book in this issue. A detailed case report on one of the Kolmården cases is found in the Nordic UFO Newsletter (issue 1/82 pp. 2-5, available from Nordic UFO Groups, P O Box 1155, N-5001 Bergen, Norway).

Looking at areas where UFOs are frequently observed in Scandinavia one cannot help but notice a certain preference for zones of a geological constitution similar to Kolmården. Scandinavian ufologists now go on a pilgrimage to Hessdalen, an area in mid-Norway (south of Trondheim) where UFOs have been observed for more than a year now, almost on a daily basis, it seems. Our Norwegian colleagues in NIVFO have published a great many of the case reports in their Norwegian UFO Newsletter (P O Box 2119, N-7001 Trondheim, Norway) - (also in German in CENAP Report, Eisenacher Weg 16, D-6800 Mannheim, BRD) - so for more specific data I refer to them. Most interesting, however, is that Hessdalen is an old mining area with deposits of copper and zinc. The same is said about the Arendal area in southern Norway, another part of Scandinavia where there have been recent reports.

BEWARE OF FALSE CASES!

Our suspicion (see issues 23 & 24) that UFO "cases" reportedly occurring in foreign countries,

and written about in American magazines, often turn out to be fakes, was recently underlined by an article in the excellent APRO Bulletin (vol. 31, n. 2). Greek UFO investigator Omiros Karadas told the Lorenzens about his attempt to investigate alleged Greek cases carried in a 1968 issue of a New York magazine. They had never happened! - The Russian cases I wrote about in our last issue have - of course! - been repeated and/or translated by several of the magazines on our exchange mailing list. We read a lot in the exchange magazines we are receiving, but this ambition is obviously not shared by other editors in the field, or could it be that criticism is not a very popular angle on the subject...?

YET ANOTHER FAKE

In our "Magazines" column last issue we noted details from the Danish publication Fortæna about a claimed Danish abduction - and rape aboard the saucer! - which should have been printed by the "Intermental Bulletin", and also in a book, "The Virgin and the Spaceman", authored by one "Hadley Roberts" and published by "Mendico Books" in Los Angeles. We tried to track the named "sources" through a great many bibliographies and reference works - even the giant Library of Congress catalogue at Stockholm's Royal Library) but discovered we were in a blind alley. There is absolutely no such magazine, no such book, no such author or any publishing company of that name! American researcher Lucius Farish checked in the United States - same result! Maybe someone gets some kind of satisfaction (at least monetary) from writing UFO-SF pornography of this kind, but to us this was just another lesson to be learnt.

Anders Liljegen

Exchanges

Centro Para Pesquisas de Discos Voadores (C.P.D.V.), C.P. No. 726, 87100 Maringa, Paraná, Brazil (new address!) (Publishes special monographs in Portuguese on UFO cases from Brazil).

Cosmic, has amalgamated with Chrysalis, c/o M. Larsson, Blåmesvägen 6, 734 00 Hallstahammar, Sweden.

Earthlink, the British UFOzine, has announced that issue 15 will be the last (we recently received nr 13). We hope the editors will find some way to continue this most informative newsletter!

The Journal of the Australian Centre for UFO Studies, new address: P.O.Box 229, Prospect, S. Australia 5082, Australia. (Summer 1982).

Malaysian UFO Bulletin, has terminated with issue nr 6, due to "technical reasons and the editor's posting to a new place of work".

Medlemsblad, Kiruna Tvärvetenskapliga Förening UFO-Nord, Box 140, 981 23 Kiruna, Sweden. (821002).

Neuer Kosmos, Interkosmos, Raimund Hinterbuchinger, Mariahilferstr. 173-175/47, A-1150 Wien, Austria. (821106).

New England UFO Newsletter, has suspended publication for an indefinite period with the Sept. 82 issue. This is very sad since it has been one of the best investigative newsletters.

Nordic UFO Newsletter, Nordic UFO Groups, P.O.Box 1155, N-5001, Bergen, Norway, is now a joint Norwegian-Swedish-Finnish publication since The UFO Research of Finland has joined in on the production of this fine newsletter of Scandinavian reports.

Northern UFO News, new address: Jeeny Randles, 9 Crossfield Road, Somerville, Wallasey, Wirral L44 9EH, England. (Dec. 82).

Norwegian UFO Newsletter, NIVFO, P.O.Box 2119, N-7001 Trondheim, Norway. (Xeroxed publication of recent Norwegian reports, in English) (820816).

Notizario UFO has been recreated after a two-year lapse and is again the official journal of Centro Ufologico Nazionale (C.U.N.), Via Magenta 49, I-10128 Torino, Italy. From issue nr 99 an English abstract will follow each issue - we appreciate this very much! (821217).

Nuove Realta Notizie, c/o Lorenzo Massai, Via Filippo Strozzi n.56, I-50047 Prato, Italy. (830124).

Revelations of Awareness, Cosmic Awareness Communications, P.O.Box 115, Olympia, Wash. 98507, USA. (821105).

The Sixth Quark Journal, Tom Benson, P.O.Box 1174, Trenton, NJ 08606, USA. (820813).

Spiral Mobius, Newsletter of Spiral Enterprises, 347 North Union St., Kennett Square, Penn. 19348, USA. (Very little about UFOs, but interesting 'underground' material). (October 1982).

SVL Tijdschrift, Studiengroep voor Vreemde Luchtverschijnselen, Oever 28, B-2000 Antwerpen, Belgium. (830121).

Tri-County UFO Study Group Newsletter, P.O.Box 2, Sebring, Ohio 44672, USA, or via associate editor Dennis Pilichis, P.O.Box 5012, Rome, Ohio 44085, USA. (Oct. 1982).

UFO-Aspekt, the Danish journal published by FUFOS, Frit UFO Studium, Nørrebrogade 66 C, DK-2200 Copenhagen N, has expanded its contents (parapsychology, health-food, etc) and taken on a new name, Nyt Aspekt ("New Aspect"), and is now printed in high-quality colour.

UFO International, c/o Peter A.Hill, 47A Easter Bankton, Murieston, Livingston, West Lothian, Scotland EH54 9BD, England. (The official publ. of PICUR, the Provisional International Committee for UFO Research). (820903)

The UFO Research of Finland Annual Report, editor Lasse Ahonen, SF-17950 Kylämä, Finland. (New annual exchange publ. replaces previous quarterly report, in English, subscription: US-\$10.00). (March 1983).

UFOs and other mysteries, P.O.Box 537, Blenheim, New Zealand. (Febr. 1983).

UFO-21, Marc Broux, K.Albertstraat 40, B-3500 Hasselt, Belgium. (Febr. 1983).

Viewpoint Aquarius, new address: P.O.Box 97, Camberley, Surrey GU15 2LH, England.

Intelligence

Under this heading we will print notes about valuable reference services & sources you might consult or contact in your search for data on UFOs, or related subjects. No restriction is put on the kind of service(s) offered - it might be a bibliography, a bookshop, a valuable referenced magazine, or a library-service, etc - but the editor has the final decision whether suggested entries shall be published, or not. Send detailed data, or ideas, to AFU.

SPECIAL INTERESTS LISTING

West German researcher Adolf Schneider offers a computerized listing of world-wide ufologists, their addresses and their special interests. Ufologists are listed by name as well as by interest. Are you looking for someone else interested in "sounds of underground", "neurological effects", "image processing", "animal mutilations" or "fairies and ufonauts"...? You'll almost certainly find him in Schneider's list which is, it seems, a non-commercial initiative to help people find liaison points or people of mutual interest. So far we have received three updates, but no details on charges for this service. If it will be possible for Mr Schneider to continue we suspect he needs a small contribution from each and everyone, and we wish this project all success. If you want to be listed, or receive copy of the list, we suggest you write: Adolf Schneider, Konrad-Celtis-Strasse 38, D-8000 München 70, West Germany.

FORTEAN TAPES RECORDED INFORMATION SERVICE (FTRIS)

Dennis Pilichis from the Page Research Library in Ohio, USA has written several times concerning his new project which we intended to mention last issue but unfortunately ran out of space. "The FTRIS project is dedicated to the preservation, organization and distribution of the fortean spoken word. I will exchange the recordings I have for fortean related recordings that you have. The recordings that I have are for TRADE ONLY. I will abide by all restrictions on the use of your recordings. Please advise me of such restrictions when writing. Details could be worked out as to who duplicates what. I can duplicate materials or lend my cassette tape for you to duplicate. Some of the recordings I am offering are the best quality. From my lists you can see that these recordings document a period going back to the early 50s and up to the present. I am conducting the FTRIS project as an experiment to see if there are other serious-minded forteans who are interested in co-operating. Some of these tapes have to be heard to be believed! Listening to them is a great and important educational experience". - Dennis sent his most recent list, which has available, for loan, no less than 250 hours of tape recordings of fortean events such as radio talk shows, or talks at conventions. You could listen to Donald Keyhoe being cut off the air in a radio debate in 1958, or Gray Barker

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...check our address if we are on your mailing list. Although it is now almost three years since we moved, we are still receiving mail via the old - "Box 5046, 151 05 Sodertälje" - address. We fear that any mail sent with this old address label will not reach us in a near future, since we cannot afford to pay the fee for the forwarding service... So, please delete any entry on the "Box 5046" address and check that you send your mail to:

ARCHIVES FOR UFO RESEARCH (AFU)
P.O.Box 11027
S-600 11 Norrköping
Sweden.

Thank you!!

discussing the Flatwoods incident (taped in 1956) or a number of tapes of George Adamski. There are tapes on just about everything: MIBS, abductions, crashed saucers, contactees (a lot of them!), Warminster, Bigfoot (8 tapes on the Ohio "wave" by Dennis himself), ghosts & ghost lights, psychic research... Indeed a valuable preservation service in our liking. If you're interested, write Dennis and also tell him where you read about this! Dennis Pilichis, P.O.Box 5012, Rome, Ohio 44085, USA.

CATALOG OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE UFO PERIODICALS

In November 1982 another very special publication took up pride on the reference-shelf in the AFU library. Tom Lind wrote us, years ago, about his plan of publishing a bibliography on English-language UFO periodicals world-wide. The July 1982 first edition of Linds The catalogue of UFO publications is not the final word but the compiler promises quarterly updates, indeed a valuable reference service! If you've ever published a newsletter on exchange basis you've realized the need for a continuously updated bibliography of periodicals. (Our "Exchanges" listing in each issue is intended as a limited service of similar kind). Lind's work has many flaws, but what work of this magnitude is perfect in the beginning? For each periodical you'll find name of publication, a subject code, country, publisher, editor(s), addresses (and any changes of address), first and last issue (if known), frequency plus notes on changes of the publication's title. A total of more than 1.100 pubs listed on 281 pages. English-language only, please note. To become the editor of one's own newsletter is, it seems, a major goal and sometimes I wonder how thick a world-wide, all language catalog would become? Obscure magazine titles such as "Flying Manure Spreader News", "Mystifax Newsletter", "Objective UFO Journal" and "The Silence Group and the Christian" teases your interest. Buy the catalogue, check it, and send in your notes & changes to Tom! - Available for \$14.50 (transatlantic seamount postage) from Tom Lind, Said of Saucers, P.O.Box 711, Hobe Sound, Florida 33455, USA.

LIST OF UFO GROUPS

UFON in london is offering lists of UFO groups & paranormal research organizations world-wide. For £3 by International Money Order you will receive an updated "World UFO, Fortean & Paranormal Guide" with hundreds of names and addresses. We haven't seen the list so we can't judge on the quality (although we have seen older lists of similar kind where a lot of addresses are outdated). I hope AFU isn't listed under our old Sodertälje address. If you're interested send your £3 to: UFON, 39 Birkbeck Road, London NW7 4BP, England.

ANOTHER SCIENTIFIC UFO PUBLICATION

We have received a review copy of the first issue of UPIAR Research in Progress (URIP), published by the UPIAR cooperative of Milan, Italy, the group which also issues UFO Phenomena International Annual Review (UPIAR), in 1981 rewarded as "the first scientific journal" by the American Fund for UFO Research. URIP bears the subtitle "An international journal providing a forum for rapid communication in UFO research".

Very few ufologists have the inclination to follow the subject to the detailed level where ufology could possibly become a science. One even detects a tendency in certain quarters to dissociate oneself from scientific thinking and proven knowledge. UPIAR, and similar publications such as JUFOS, JTAP and the serious Belgian Inforespace has a rather dull outlook. "The video generation" has very little interest in such publications. They demand at least one illustrations on each page and a thrilling layout to even start reading! And each article should contain at least one new "sensation" - what does it matter if that sensation is true, or not? I recently showed a copy of one of the "dull", "scientific" journals (which had a most interesting and detailed statistical analysis of the phenomena we study) to a gathering of ufologists. They showed no interest at all in the material and I have experienced similar disinterest in my own studies. I have listened to Swedish ufologists calling for "money and resources" to be able to do the kind of studies I

had performed - at minimal cost - several years ago! They didn't know just because they didn't bother to read the "dull" publications - such as this newsletter.

The first issue of URIP has another of William Spaulding reports on image processing (an area where Swedish university research is at the forefront), Fernando Fernandes and Jose Mario Ferreira's statistical study of time distribution in 2.800 Iberian cases, and Alexander G Keul's report on the Austrian UFO witness project, a government-sponsored investigation of the psychological status of ten observers. This study showed distressing results -

New books

News and notes about UFO books. An index of new books world-wide is maintained by AFU. The most interesting items from this index - by no means all of them! - are regularly listed in this column. The index also has notes on book reviews published by exchange & subscribed journals. Exchange with AFU Newsletter will automatically provide data for our index. Authors, publishers & book dealers are asked to send us news about books, booklets, reprints, etc.

Appel, Michael: Sie wahren nie fort - UFO-Phänomene einst und heute. Liber Verlag GmbH, Postfach 2946, D-6500 Mainz 1, B.R.D., 1982. 188 pp, 111., DM 24.80. (On extraterrestrials yesterday-today-tomorrow, German title means "They never went away").

Barker, Gray: Men in black...the secret terror among us. Saucerian Press, Box D, Jane Lew, W.Va 26378, USA, 1983. Spiral bound (soft), 159 pp, \$9.95. (Collection of MIB cases).

Basterfield, Keith & Jackson, Paul: A preliminary catalogue of Australian vehicle interference cases. ACUPOS, 1982. Reprinted by Arcturus Book Service, 263 N.Ballston Ave, Scotia, NY 12302, USA. Stiff wraps, stapled, 22 pp, \$3.50.

Benitez, J.J.: Los visitantes. Ed. Planeta S.A., Corcega 273-277, Barcelona 8, Spain, 1982. 216 pp, 900 Pesetas.

Billig, Otto: Flying saucers - magic in the skies. Schenkman Publ. Co., 3 Mount Auburn Pl., Cambridge, MA 02138, USA, 1982. Softcover or cloth, 265 pp, \$9.95 soft/\$16.95 cloth. (The psychological angle on UFOs, following in the footsteps of Dr.Jung. Conclusion: it's all in the mind).

Boëdec, Jean-François: Fantastiques rencontres au bout du Monde. Editions Le Signor, Rue Ty-ker, F-29120 Plomeur, France, 1982. PP 75.00 incl. postage.

Boys, Don: Flying saucers: myth, madness or made in Moscow? Arcturus Book Service (address - see Basterfield) reprint, 1982. 81 pp, 111. \$4.95.

Campbell, Stuart: Close encounter at Livingston. BUPO-RA Case History no. 1, Oct. 1982. Large format, 64 pp., 111., £4.50 postage incl. (Study of wellknown Scottish CE2 case).

Cater, Joseph H: The Awesome Force. Cadake Industries, P.O.Box 9478, Winter Haven, Florida 33880, USA, 1982. Softbound, 400 pp, 111., \$16.00 postage incl. (Free energy, UFOs, hollow earth, buildings on the moon, Tesla, Reich, etc).

Clark, Tom; MacAdams, Lewis & Perkins, David: Altered streaks. A colloquium on the cattle mutilation question. Am Here Books/Immediate Editions, 2503 Medcliffe Road, Santa Barbara, Cal 93109, USA. \$4.00. (Transcript of debate between three mutilation mystery specialists).

Corliss, William R, editor: Lightning, auroras, nocturnal lights and related luminous phenomena. A catalog of geophysical anomalies. The Sourcebook Project, Box 107, Glen Arm, MD 21057, USA, Oct 1982. 248 pp, \$11.95 postage incl. (First of abt. 25 (!) catalogs to be published. This has more than 1.100 examples of auroras, earthquake lights, ball lightning, ghost lights, light wheels in water and similar phenomena recorded from scientific literature).

Däniken, Erich von: Strategie der Götter. Das achte Weltwunder. Econ Verlag, Postfach 9229, Düsseldorf 1, B.R.D., 1982. 320 pp, 111. DM 32.00. (Däniken's "new" thesis: Spaceship visited earth abt 2.500 years ago, initiating a series of changes & historical monuments of that age).

Denaerde, Stefan & Stevens, Wendelle C: UFO contact from Iarga. W.C.Stevens, Box 17206, Tucson, AZ 85710, USA, Aug. 1982. Hardcover, 365 pp, \$15.95. (Eight hours aboard alien craft allegedly experienced by Dutch industrialist).

all the studied witnesses (chosen at random) had more or less psychopathological disorders. URIP also has bibliographical listings: Articles from Scientific American of possible interest to UFO research and Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos' bibliographies on research methodology. Vicente-Juan is the able editor of URIP which is heartily recommended.

URIP, Coop. S.r.l., P O Box 11221, I-20110 Milano, Italy. Subscription price: Lire 21.000 or \$15.00 for one year = four issues.

Devereux, Paul: Earth lights. Turnstone Press, Wellington, N'hants, England, Oct. 1982, or from author: P.O. Box 13, Welshpool, Powys, England. Hardcover, 256 pp., 111, index, £9.95. (Devereux develops the thesis that UFOs might be generated by geological processes in the Earth's crust).

Drake, W Raymond: Titani nell'antichità. Armenia Editore, Viale Ca' Granda 2, I-20162 Milano, Italy, 1982. Italian lire 14.000. (First world-wide edition of Drake's latest, "Titans in Antiquity").

Fogarty, Quentin: "Let's hope they're friendly". Angus & Robertson Publishers, July 1982. 175 pp, 111., index, Austr-\$9.95. (Another one on the NZ sightings on Dec 31, 1978 by one of the main witnesses).

Fowler, Raymond E: The Andreasson Affair phase two. The continuing investigation of a woman's abduction by alien beings. Prentice-Hall Inc, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, USA, Sept 1982. Hardcover, 278 pp., \$10.95. (Further data on abduction experiences of Betty Andreasson and her husband Bob Luca).

Goerman, Robert: The Allende Dossier. Goerman Publ. Co., 107 Mile Lock Lane, Brackenridge, Penn 15014, USA, March 1982. 36 pp, \$3.95 postage included. (Documents, letters related to the Allende mystery).

Greene, Vaughn M: The six-thousand year old space suit. V.N.Greene, 548 Elm Av., San Bruno, CA 94066, USA, 1983. 116 pp., 111, \$6.95 postage incl. (Similarities between 6.000 year old Japanese Dugu statues and modern space-suits...)

Gross, Loren E: The mystery of the ghost rockets. Arcturus Book Service (address - see Basterfield), revised and augmented edition, Nov. 1982. Spiral bound, 8 1/2 x 11 size, 64 pp, \$6.95. (Reprint of report on the 1946 Scandinavian wave).

Gross, Loren E: UFOs: a history. Vol. 1. Arcturus Book Service (address - see Basterfield), Nov. 1982. Spiral bound, 160 pp., \$12.95. (First of at least ten volumes to cover modern UFO history. This volume centres on American UFO history during July 1947 - Dec. 1948).

Leona, G.S. & Veit, A & K: Evakuierung in den Weltraum. Ventla Verlag, Postfach 130185, D-6200 Wiesbaden 13, B.R.D., 1982. Hardcover, 364 pp, 111, DM 32.70. (Contactee-type).

Mohren, Herbert & Ertelt, Axel: Sie kommen von anderen Welten. Auf den Spuren kosmischer Besucher. John Fisch-Verlag, Postfach 2476, Luxemburg, 1983. 336 pp, 111. DM 34.00. (Another attempt to build a bridge between astro-archeology and ufology).

Moravec, Mark: PsiUFO phenomena: a study of UFOs and the paranormal. ACUPOS, P.O.Box 229, Prospect, SA 5082, Australia, 1982. Spiral bound, 136 pp. Austr-\$16.00 or US-\$13.50 from Arcturus Book Service. (Case catalog & discussion on 88 cases involving psi/UFO phenomena such as mental communications, poltergeists, apparitions, healing, ghost-lights, time lapses, etc).

Mundo, Laura: The Mundo UFO Report. Vantage Press, 516 W. 34th St., New York, NY 10001, USA, Nov. 1982. \$9.95 plus postage. (Contactee material).

Mutual UFO Network (MUFON): 1982 MUFON UFO Symposium Proceedings. UFOs - Canada: a global perspective. MUFON, Oldtowne Rd, Seguin, Texas 78155, USA, 1982. Softbound, 104 pp, 111, \$11.50 postage incl. (Symposium in Toronto, Canada - papers by Hynek, Moore, Persinger, Haisell, Bray, Schuessler, etc).

Reeken, Dieter von: Extraterrestrische Intelligenzen. Bibliographie 1971-1975. GEP Sonderheft 4. GEP, Postfach 2361, D-5880 Lüdenscheid 1, B.R.D., 1982. Softcover, A5 size, 24 pp, 111. DM 5.00. (Bibliography of 67 titles in the German language).

Reeken, Dieter von: Extraterrestrische Intelligenzen. Bibliographie 1976-1980. GEP Sonderheft 5. Same address. 1982. Softcover, A5 size, 48 pp, 111., DM 8.00.

Ribera, Antonio: Encuentros con humanoides. Ed. Planeta S.A., Corcega 273-277, Barcelona 8, Spain, 1982. 230 pp, price unknown.

Sanchez-Ocejo, Virgilio & Stevens, Wendelle C: UFO contact from undersea. A report of the investigation. W.C. Stevens (address - see Denaerde), 1982. Hardcover, 190 pp, 111., \$16.20 from Stevens, or \$12.95 from Arcturus Book Service. (The alleged abduction of Filiberto Cardenas. Includes reports on UFOs entering/leaving bodies of water).

Stevens, Wendelle C: UFO contact from the Pleiades. A preliminary investigation report. W.C. Stevens, 3224 South Winona Circle, Tucson, AZ 85730, USA, 1982. Hardcover, 524 pp, \$17.95. (Stevens doesn't give up on the Billy Meier case, it seems..)

Stringfield, Leonard H: UFO crash/retrievals: amassing the evidence. Status report III. L.Stringfield, 4412 Grove Ave, Cincinnati, Ohio 45227, USA, June 1982. Softcover, 8 1/2 x 11, 55 pp, 111. \$11.50 postage incl. (New data on UFO crashes).

The UFO Evidence. Edited by Richard H. Hall. NICAP, Sherman J. Larsen, 2926 Applegate Rd, Glenview, IL 60025, USA, 1982. Reprint of NICAP report originally publ. in 1964. 184 pp, new introduction, new index. \$17.00 postage incl.

Walter, Werner: Project UFO. CENAP, Eisenacher Weg 16, D-6800 Mannheim 31, B.R.D., 1982. A4 size, photocopied, 150 pp, 111., DM 35.00. (German report on American UFO investigations & policy in 1947).

Webner, Klaus: Die Nagora Fotoserie kritisch betrachtet. Klaus Webner, Zugspitzstr. 56, D-6200 Wiesbaden, B.R.D. Sept 1982. A5 size, 32 pp, 111, DM 15.00 (or \$7.00). (Attempts to expose Nagora photo series as hoax).

Wegner, Willy: Skandinavisk UFO-litteratur 1950-1982. Skeptica, Aalborg, Denmark, 1982. Available from author, Horsevaenget 17, DK-9320 Hjallerup, Denmark. Softcover, A4 size, 44 pp, index, Danish kr. 27.00 postage incl. (Bibliography of 92 books publ. in Denmark, Norway and Sweden. Also 7 periodicals plus section advising reader on how to search for UFO literature).

Wilhelm, Charles: An investigative report into the alleged alien body photos. OUPOL, P.O.Box 436, Fairfield, Ohio, USA, 1982. 54 pp, 111, \$8.00 postage incl. (Follow-up & explanation for alleged 1948 alien body photos).

Wisth, Arne: UFO-mysteriet i Hæsdalen. Bladkompaniet A/S, Boks 148, Kaldbakken, Oslo 9, Norway, 1983. Hardcover, Norw.kr 96.00. (Story of the Hæsdalen wave by journalist, another book by ufologist Leif Havik is rumoured to be published later this year).

VonKeviczky, Colman & Hesseemann, Michael: UFO gibt es. Ein Memorandum an die Bundesregierung. M.Hesseemann, An der Obereft 88, D-4040 Neuss 1, B.R.D., 1983. 92 pp, 111., DM 32.00. (10 "international UFO researchers" ask the new German government to look at UFOs. Documents from 18 countries reproduced).

Zinastag, Lou & Good, Timothy: George Adamski - the untold story. CETI Publications, 247 High Street, Beckenham, Kent BR3 1AB, England, Jan. 1983. Softcover, 220 pp, 111. £6.95 or \$12.00 postage incl. (A new biography of the controversial UFO contactee).

Reviews

AFRICAN ENCOUNTERS Håkan Blomqvist

UFO literature from Africa is very scarce indeed. Apart from the latest book by Elisabeth Klarer, the only volume I am aware of is "Flying saucers über Sudafrica" by Edgar Sievers, published in 1956.

It was therefore with great enthusiasm I received "UFOs African Encounters" by Cynthia Hind, freelance journalist and MUFON co-ordinator for Africa. Mrs Hind has a broad experience in investigative reporting and in nearly 90% of the cases in the book she has interviewed the witnesses personally. "UFOs African Encounters" concentrates on the more spectacular CE III and contactee cases from South Africa and Zimbabwe.

You can't write a book about UFOs in Africa without mentioning Elisabeth Klarer. Mrs Hind devotes two chapters to her controversial claims. In an interview Mrs Klarer relates her outer space love affair with Akon from the planet Meton (sic). One can't help feeling that this charming woman has been taken for a ride in more than one way.

But what is interesting is the physical description of Akon: thin, high cheekbones, slanted eyes and the apparent agelessness. These oriental-type gentlemen have constantly appeared in contactee cases from all over the world. I have personally come across several here in Sweden. Other reports mention them riding cars, smoking, drinking and breathing our atmosphere without discomfort, so as for "Menton" I have my doubts.

The possibility of UFO-contact being a front for some other type of activity becomes even more apparent in "Edwin's story". Edwin has been in constant radio communication with "space beings" since 1962 when he met a man named George at his work in Durban. George claimed to be from another planet and gave Edwin a radio set for communication with the space people. George then enters a flying saucer and disappears in full view of Edwin.

The author speculates: "My initial reaction was one of complete disbelief. It was either a very clever hoax on the part of Edwin... or a hoax on the part of some group - political or otherwise - who felt they were influencing unsophisticated and gullible people". Edwin's story is certainly an intriguing one and has captivated the attention of former MUFON representative Carl van Vlieden. Mr van Vlieden will present the full story in a forthcoming book, "Cosmic dialogue", to be published at the end of 1982.

Mrs Hind also devotes a chapter to the wellknown Peter and Francis contact. Under hypnosis, conducted by Dr Paul Obertik, the couple related what happened during their lost time. According to Peter "we are ultimately controlled by them... They can make themselves appear in any form in our minds". Not a very comfortable thought for us poor mortals. But with an advanced psychotronic technology the possibilities are no doubt almost unlimited.

Mrs Hind is refreshingly openminded, documenting all aspects of our festival of absurdity. Africa is no longer a white spot on the ufological map.

Cynthia Hind: UFOs - African Encounters. - Gemini, Salisbury, Zimbabwe, 1982. - 236 pp., 111.

LIGHTS IN THE SKY - FROM THE EARTH

Dan Mattsson

After we had finished the study of the Swedish UFO window in the Kolmården area (see separate article in this issue), I got hold of "Earth lights" - a book written by Paul Devereux. It was a very exiting experience to read this book, especially because what we had observed in our study very well fits the theories presented in "Earth lights".

The UFO enigma has been a very weird jig-saw puzzle, where the pieces have been shattered on many hands. One important piece John Keel holds: there are "window" areas all over the world, where UFOs are more frequent. These window areas are geological anomalies, where electromagnetic effects help manifest UFO phenomena, Keel tells us.

Another piece we find in "Passport to Magonia" by Jacques Vallée. Vallée points out the likeness between entities in ancient folklore and today's UFO entities. Vallée writes that fairies were supposed to inhabit certain geological sites, fairy-mounds. Vallée even speculates there might be a natural phenomenon whose manifestations border on both the physical and the mental.

The last piece for our jig-saw we find in the works of Michael Persinger and Gyslaine Lafreniere. They point out a very likely source for the geo-electromagnetic forces: quartz put under pressure, piezo-electricity.

What Paul Devereux does is that he puts the jig-saw pieces together into a coherent picture. Devereux is the right man to do this. He is himself a UFO witness. In 1967 he saw a UFO, or more correct: a UAP, Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon. The UAP altered shape, from a glowing rectangle to a human-like form. Maybe because of this Devereux has never considered UFOs as being spaceships. He is also a researcher of Earth mysteries and the editor of "The Ley Hunter". He has studied UFOs and earth mysteries for a long time, and in "Earth lights" he puts forward "a radical and compelling new study of the UFO enigma that spans seismology, megalithic sites, the psycho-kinetic abilities of human mind and ancient shamanistic powers".

The author gives 44 examples of UFO sightings where the UFOs alter shape or seem to materialize or dematerialize. The author thinks that both UFOs and their occupants are materializations of the same substance, but he doesn't think there is any extraterrestrial intelligence involved. The only intelligence involved is human. The phenomenon interacts with the human brain and humans can, through psycho-kinetic abilities, affect the phenomenon. The theory is fantastic, but I have a strong feeling Devereux is on the right track.

"Earth lights" also deals with prehistoric sites, megalithic stone circles. According to the author they are also involved in the earth mysteries. The ancients marked certain places where the forces were strong. Even today it is possible to detect these places and forces with equipment such as ultrasonic detectors, geiger counters, infrared film. These sites were once holy places. Nowadays, only UFOs bother about them...

You may have different opinions about if Paul Devereux is right or wrong, but the best thing with his theories is that they are testable. Whether they are right or wrong will soon be proven. You get a vision of ufology in the 80s when reading "Earth lights".

Paul Devereux: Earth lights. Towards an understanding of the UFO enigma. - Turnstone Press, Wellingborough, N'hants, England, 1982. - 256 pp., ill., index. Signed first edition copies from the author Paul Devereux, P.O.Box 13, Welshpool, Powys, England. £9.95.

THE SIGN OF SHAMBALLAH Håkan Blomqvist

Most books so far published on the inner earth theme has lacked the essential quality of intellectual integrity and balance. They have rightly been relegated to the category of fringe literature by the mainstream ufologists.

The English author Mr Alec MacLellan /pseud./ is not a ufologist, but his book "The Lost World of Agharti" stands out as a qualified attempt to come to terms with the inner earth enigma. Mr MacLellan was catapulted into the strange world of Agharti mystique by a personal experience in a Yorkshire cave, where he observed a green pulsating light accompanied by a humming sound.

On his search for an explanation to this episode he delves into old volumes on the Yorkshire caves and eventually stumbles on the connection with the legend of a hidden underground world - the kingdom of Agharti.

World literature on religion, folklore and the occult are amazingly rich in references to hidden caverns in the earth.

Plato speaks of "tunnels both broad and narrow, in the interior of the earth". The Indians of both North and South America, as well as the eskimos, have legends relating how they in olden times emerged from caverns in the earth and that some races are still living there.

One of the first modern westerners to investigate the legend of Agharti was the French consular official Louis Jacolliot who wrote some twenty volumes on his researches in the Orient. Regarding "Agharta" he claims: "Those who dwell there are possessed of great powers and have knowledge of all the world affairs. They can travel from one place to another by passageways which are as old as the kingdom itself".

The founder of theosophy, madame Blavatsky, mentions in Isis Unveiled the existence of an enormous tunnel system linking Peru and Bolivia. While into the theosophical tradition I think credit should be given to Charles Leadbeater and Alice Bailey. Both writers refer to an unknown race of people living in caves deep below the earth, but Mr MacLellan has no reference to these sources.

"You know that in the two greatest oceans of the east and west there were formerly two continents. They disappeared under the water but their people went into the subterranean kingdom". This explanation is given by a Tibetan lama to Mr Ferdinand Ossendowski, whose work "Beast, Men and Gods" has become a minor classic in inner earth lore. In this book Mr Ossendowski relates the famous predictions made by "The King of the World", the ruler of Agharti who announces the reemergence of the underground people.

In theosophical terminology Shamballah refers only to a spiritual centre but the Russian explorer and mystic Nicholas Roerich knew there was a deeper mystery and was not afraid to say so to a lama he encounters: "...do not speak to me about the heavenly Shamballah only, but also about the one on earth: because you know as well as I, that on earth Shamballah is connected with the heavenly one". When Roerich later observes a UFO flying over the Himalayas the lamas speak of the object as "the sign of Shamballah".

Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton was a famous novelist and Rosicrucian in Victorian England. He wrote a peculiar novel called "The Coming Race". This book was to have an influence probably never expected by the author. In prewar Berlin there existed a secret society called The Luminous Lodge, or The Vril Society. It was literally based on "The Coming Race". One of the members of this society was professor Karl Haushofer, who deeply influenced Hitler in his early days. According to Mr MacLellan Haushofer actually lent the book to Hitler.

The essence of "The Coming Race" is that the objective of the technologically advanced beings in the inner earth is to emerge from their underworld to take control of the rest of the planet. If Mr MacLellan had been a ufologist he would probably have noted the uncanny physical likeness between the Vril race and the men in black type humanoids in UFO contactee lore.

The author has done a good amount of research on Vril power. He has examined documents belonging to initiates of the Vril Society. He concludes that "Vril is actually an ancient Indian name for the tremendous resources of energy which are made available as a result of mastering the etheric body...and control of the life forces in the human body".

After many years of Research Mr MacLellan has become convinced of the reality of Agharti and

the tunnel systems. As a ufologist I have been forced to consider the same theory, fantastic though it seems. If there is any truth in this theory it gives a whole new dimension to the official silence policy on UFOs. John Keel wrote in a recent letter to AFU: "they have hidden behind the extraterrestrial myth". But who are

they? Perhaps Mr MacLellan has found a piece in this jig-saw.

Alec MacLellan: The Lost World of Agharti. The Mystery of the Vril Power. - London, Souvenir Press, 1982. - 231 pp, 111, £7.95

Magazines

MUFON UFO Journal, October 1982. The journal that's getting better and better, why just less than 1.000 subscribers I can't understand! John Schuessler's follow-up on the Cash-Landrum incident. There's something "sick" about that case. James Oberg is, seemingly, the only sceptic (besides Robert Wanderer) who continuously writes pieces for ("believer's") UFO journals and he deserves our attention. His analysis of the 1967 Russian "wave" seems credible. Many other cases probably originate from Soviet experiments in space, we've had quite many here in Sweden where Plesetsk launchings are regularly reported by unsuspecting observers. Bill Chalker's articles on documents in the archives of the Australian Air Force and Ann Druffel's reflections on the National Enquirer type of "mishmash" are other highlights. **MUFON UFO Journal**, 103 Oldtowne Rd., Seguin, Texas 78155, USA. \$16.00/year, 12 issues. (AL)

Pre-1947 UFO Bulletin, issues 8-16. Nigel Watson's one page bulletins is an interesting source for historical UFO data & input, particularly if you're keen on the SF angle to historical waves. Recent issues of Nigel's newsletter touch upon the Secret Inventor theory (issues 8 & 9); Brereton's SF book "The Great Airship" (issue 10) - A Swedish SF writer, Christiansson, wrote a similar book "The right of the stronger" in 1910 - The SF authorship of H G Wells (issue 11); our "own" ghost fliers (12); the Jersey devil, a strange creature seen in 1909 (13); On the book "The Mark of the Beast" (14); On the book "The Warlords of the Air" (15) and, finally, our Scandinavian ghost fliers of 1946. Nigel Watson, Westfield Cottage, Crowle Bank Road, Althorpe, South Humberside, DN17 3HZ, England. (AL)

The Probe Report, vol. 3, no. 3, January 1983. "The Alien Amongst Us" by Martin Shipp, a lengthy and intelligent investigation into an alleged MIB case, by the SCUFORI group. It so happened that "the MIB", in this case, was a member of the group who tried to fool his colleagues. If SCUFORI's line of research was applied to every MIB case I am confident that at least 50% of them would be solved - but what about the rest? **Probe Report** is one of the best investigative journals, one you should read. Ian Mrzyglod, 16 Marigold Walk, Ashton, Bristol B53 2PD, England. £4.40 for 4 issues (overseas). (AL)

UFO-Sverige Aktuellt, vol. 4, nr. 1, 1983. This is Sweden's most circulated UFO magazine with 3.000 subcripted copies. Interview with Dr. Hynek who suddenly landed in Gothenburg on his way home from Italy. Articles on archeological artefacts in the Kolmården "UFO window" and current news from the Norwegian "window" at Hessdalen. Swedish reports & notes. Fortean & scientific notes. Project U.R.D.'s computerization project now applied to UFO-Sweden's reports. My own (AL's) quarterly review of Swedish articles & media debate on UFOs, plus my notes on new books, this time Paul Begg's "Into thin air", Hilary Evans' "UFOs the greatest mystery" (Swedish edition), and Janet & Colin Bord's "Alien animals". (Authors and publishers, please note that you have a good chance to get free publicity by sending review copies to AFU. We write reviews for this Newsletter as well as for **UFO-Sverige Aktuellt**). Professionally printed, highly illustrated in colours, text in Swedish only. **UFO-Sverige Aktuellt**, P.O.Box 175, S-733 00 Sala, Sweden. Quarterly, Sw.kr 65.00/year.

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Probe & SCUFORI, for sending review copy of their excellent booklet "UFO/IFO: A process of elimination". One reflection: If everyone worked in this way, how much would there be left of "the UFO problem"??

Cynthia Hind and **Tom Lind** for review copies of their fine contributions to UFO literature.

Janet & Colin Bord, for sending copies of their books.

Eddie Bullard for sending his gigantic tome on historical data. We hope we can return this favour in the future.

Per Bråyn, **Lucius Parish**, **Stig Kernell**, **John Keel**, **Anton Lidström**, **David Rees**, **Jean Sider**, **Jan-Ove Sundberg**, **Gunnar Thorén** and "S.W." - plus many others - for providing invaluable help to our ghost flier project.

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Letters

From this issue we have decided to open a new "Letters" column to help voice our readers' thoughts about matters previously published in our Newsletter. The most important roles of this column will be to "put-the-record-straight", when necessary, and to be a forum for debate. For reason of space, lengthy letters will be edited; we hope without changing the correspondents views.

APU Newsletter 19

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your latest Newsletter. We appreciate the English section. Thank you also for your promotion of the **UFO Research Australia Newsletter (UFORAN)**. There are, however, several points which I should like to clarify.

The Newsletter represents the research activities of UFO research groups in each state of Australia, but its composition and production is my decision, effort and responsibility. You cited an article "UFOs under research", which does not represent the general view of Australian researchers. It is the opinion of one group only, which is why the criticism by B. Plath and H.I. Goriss was so strong.

UFORAN aims to inform on every aspect of the UFO phenomena as informatively and objectively as possible. You will appreciate therefore how important it is that no particular theories be attributed to the magazine.

Yours sincerely,

V. Godic

UFO Research Australia Newsletter,

PO Box 229,

Prospect, South Australia 5082

APU Newsletter 20

Dear Anders,

Have just received your latest Newsletter, I always find it interesting.

However, on one or two points I do not agree with you. Firstly, in the exchange list you say Awareness and UFO Register are discontinued. They are not. The second point: Regarding the London BUFORA Conference you mention BUFORA and UFOIN as the most significant groups, this I do not agree with. Almost certainly Contact International UK is by far the largest group in Britain. 'BUFORA get its' name everywhere, however it has been our policy always to keep a low profile, since our formation in 1964. We have a very large investigation team, with at least 160 investigators spread over the UK, and we have a very good reputation with the Police, who give us a great deal of support.

Our main function is collection of Data. We are at the moment compiling a Master Catalogue of sightings. I enclose our sighting form, Data Form and a sheet from our Master Catalogue to give an idea of what we are.

Looking forward to hearing from you,
Derek Mansell,
Contact (UK), Data Research Division,
48 Crown Road,
Wheatley, Oxford OX9 1UL

APU Newsletter 22

Dear Sir,

My attention has been drawn to your comments on the Sundberg (Loch Ness) investigation, and the fact that you claimed that I portrayed Sundberg as "a hoaxer". In fact I stated that, "the evidence does not appear to support the hypothesis that the report is a hoax". You have not pointed out to your readers that I suggested that the report derives from a hallucination, and, consequently, that Sundberg is honest but mistaken. It is understandable that he would continue to claim he did "see" the incident, yet disappointing that he does not recognize that not all sight is objective.

You should realize that the investigation is incomplete; my hypothesis can be tested by psychiatric examination of the witness, and/or examination of his medical records. Attempts should be made to get him to agree to this.

Yours faithfully,
Stewart Campbell,
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Edinburgh EH14 2LT
Scotland, UK

Editor: Trying to condense the FSR article in just a few lines for our readers I used the unfortunate word "hoaxer", once. This was indeed a misrepresentation of Mr. Campbell's ideas on the case for which I apologize!

APU Newsletter 23

Dear Anders Liljegren,

I have just seen the newest issue of the APU Newsletter, and was most interested. Your comments on UFO Report I don't find surprising - the American news-stand journals are never to be trusted, though UFO Report is no doubt the best. It is an interesting sociological fact that each country has its own, very special, UFO literature; and until you understand this, you can easily be fooled... Of course here in Britain we have so little UFO literature that the question hardly arises: but most of the books that do get published are by people who are of no account whatever in British ufology - people like Shuttlewood, Paget, Johnson. Whereas the people who have something to say - like John Rimmer of MAGONIA - are almost unknown... Travel to Spain, on the other hand, and you find a very good UFO-literature, decently published in handsome volumes... And in America - well, in America, you have to expect anything and everything, of course!

I have never understood why you Scandinavians have not prepared a comprehensive study of the "ghost rockets" of 1946? To me it has always been one of the most curious episodes of ufo-history, antedating the flying saucer business by a year. There is very little documentation in any language; some articles in FSR, and of course Loren Cross's booklet of 1974. But why nothing from the horse's mouth, as they say?

All good wishes,
Hilary Evans,
1 Tranquil Vale,
London SE3 OBU, UK

Dear Mr. Liljegren,

I have read your bulletin with great interest and am writing to ask for a favor - perhaps in exchange for one or more of the items I distribute?

I have been working for sometime on elucidating the details of the early US coverup of UFOs of which the Roswell

incident was a key element. I was a research consultant to William Moore on the book and discovered the Barnett, Sleppey and Marcel stories. The enclosed Canadian formerly Top Secret document pointed me towards Vannever Bush, the Joint Research and Development Board, the National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics etc etc... and towards a very special person, General James H Doolittle - still alive at 85 - heavily involved in all kinds of highly classified work after the war, a close associate of Bush, and also having a Ph.D. in aeronautics from MIT.

The key reason for writing to you is that the New York Times on August 22 and 23, 1946, carried brief articles about Doolittle and General David Sarnoff discussing the ghost rocket sightings with Swedish defence department personnel. Nobody has ever seen any report though presumably one was written for at least Eisenhower, then Chief of Staff. My associate William Moore met with Doolittle after I had found him. JD is still very sharp and remembers all the other details of his European trip of August 1946, except for what happened in Sweden... Very selective amnesia...

Anyway, what I am looking for is any information from the Swedish newspapers or other sources concerning the discussions, who was involved, etc... Are any of the Swedish people who were involved still alive? Accessible? Any information would be greatly appreciated.

Looking forward to hearing from you,
Stan Friedman,
110 Kings College Road,
Fredericton, New Brunswick E3B 2E7,
Canada.

Editor: In 1977 Archives for UFO Research published a small booklet (in Swedish) as a result of our researches at the Swedish National Archives where all newswire items concerning the 46 wave were collected and reprinted. 154 items were found out of 10.000 sifted through.

A news article dated New York, Aug. 13 (Reuters) carried an American disclaimer of any connection between the Doolittle visit and the ghost rockets. Rumours, published by NYT, had it that JD was to inspect radar equipment used by the Swedish military in tracing "the rockets". This was, however, denied by a spokesman for the Shell company (JD had a civilian position as head of their "Air Department"). According to this Shell spokesman the visit had been "planned 6 months before" in order "to make inspections" in Scandinavia.

The then foreign secretary Dean Acheson disclaimed (same article) rumours that American experts had been sent to Sweden in connection with the sightings. He further stated that the Swedish government had not asked for any such support.

Another article, dated Aug. 22, London (Reuters), carried a Swedish Air Force disclaimer that similar help would have been sought from Britain. This rumour was published by Daily Express correspondent Guy Eden and apparently was a misunderstanding of Swedish negotiations for new British radars to match the newly acquired Vampire jet fighters. According to Eden British experts had been to Sweden early in August and had then submitted a report to Whitehall. It is difficult to imagine that the subject of the ghost rockets could have been avoided at any of these meetings.

Sweden had experimented with radars since 1939. In 1944 the first of thirty AMES 6 radar units were bought from Great Britain. In March 1947 the Air Force contracted 23 American SCR-615B units, but they were never delivered due to bureaucratic reasons. It is evident that there was a great interest in Sweden to acquire the most modern radar equipment available. The Doolittle visit makes sense in that general picture. Much previously classified data is now appearing from this period when secrecy is done away with. I am in contact with a researcher who's writing a treatise on Swedish intelligence work of the period and I have hopes new data will appear soon.

Foreign readers (not just Hilary Evans & Stan Friedman) ask us why nothing is done about the 1946 data. APU has had a project slowly running for abt 10 years to collect, in the first run, newswire & newspaper info about the wave. My feeling is that newspaper stories are just the top of the iceberg and not always reliable information, so the project needs an extension to other sources.

A photo from the offices of the Swedish Defence Staff (mid-60s) shows a file labeled "1946" which obviously had first-hand data. When responsibility for UFO "disinformation" was transferred to the Research Institute for National Defence (FOA), this file disappeared, mysteriously. I am confident, however, that there is a lot of data available in Swedish archives, and in the memories of people involved, but unless a keen investigator of the era volunteers his/her support I feel that we will not find time and resources for any such search within the coming next years. If, on the other

hand, such an investigator (preferably equipped with the leisure time that we don't have) appears we will gladly support him/her and publish the findings.

Dear Mr. Liljegren,

I recently compiled a collection of texts concerning phantom airships and other early UFOs, drawing on the results of several years' research. I began distributing copies to other investigators interested in historical ufology, and Lucius Farish referred me to you and your organization for your work with the ghost fliers and ghost rockets. My collection contains some materials on these same phenomena, though I must apologize for the very sorry translations. Still, I hope you will find the collection of use, and I hope as well that the American airship data will help fill in the picture of late 19th and early 20th-century UFO activity for you.

If you know of any serious researchers in the field of historical ufology, I would appreciate learning of them.

Sincerely,
Eddie Bullard,
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Bloomington, Indiana 47401, USA

Editor: Mr. Bullard enclosed his privately printed tome, titled "The Airship File. A collection of texts concerning phantom airships and other UFOs, gathered from newspapers and periodicals mostly during the hundred years prior to Kenneth Arnold's sighting". Mr. Bullard duplicated the texts by typewriter on index cards and then had them reduced to make place for maximum data on each page, 386 pages in all. This seems like a gigantic "grass-roots" job performed by Eddie, and should be of immense interest to researchers who want the original, unaltered texts and not just extracts found in books and articles. Abt 20 pages concern the 1930s ghost fliers and I must confess there were one or two items I had not noticed as I sifted through the pages of Swedish newspapers. Also 13 pages of data on the 46 wave (I have not found time to check these against our collection). If you're interested I suggest you contact Mr. Bullard.

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Notiser

GEPAN NEDLAGT

Den franska statliga UFO-undersökningsgruppen GEPAN har lagts ned efter det socialistiska makttillträdet i Frankrike. GEPAN startades 1977 som en avdelning inom CNES (den franska motsvarigheten till NASA) sedan förre presidenten Valéry Giscard d'Estaing (som tycks ha varit intresserad av UFO-frågan) gett projektet och dess dåvarande chef, sin välsignelse. Den nya franska regimen tycks - i penning-knapphetens tidevarv - ha ansett UFO-forskning vara ett mindre produktivt område. GEPAN har de senaste åren alltmer dragit på sig kritik från ufologer och UFO-organisationer i Frankrike, som tyckt att man från GEPANs sida alltför mycket agerat som "överlägsna experter". GEPAN har haft en skeptisk inställning till UFO-fenomenen och har bl.a. avslöjat flera fall av bedrägeri.

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En organisation för "vetenskap och populär upplysning" är under bildande i Sverige. Organisationen mål är att kämpa mot "starka antivetenskapliga och pseudovetenskapliga tendenser i det svenska samhället". "Misstro mot vetenskap och förnuft är på lång sikt en fara för demokrati då denna är beroende av respekt för det mänskliga förnuftet". Den skeptiska organisationen beräknades vara bildad i slutet av förra året (82) och har startats av ett 10-tal personer som verkar som journalister, illusionister, psykologer, filosofer, idéhistoriker, sociologer, fysiker, etc. Kontaktman är: Sven Ove Hansson, Malmvägen 11, 191 61 Sollentuna.

Källa: The Sceptical Inquirer, vol. 7, no. 2 (winter 82-82). sid. 16.

Verksamhetsberättelse

Vid utgången av 1982 stöds AFU av 42 personer samt har 35 andra personer/institutioner som prenumeranter på nyhetsbladet.

Antalet lån uppgick under året till 175 (f.å. 163), vartill kommer ett icke registrerat antal forskningsuppdrag och kopieringar ur samlingen.

Boksamlingen tillfördes under året 49 nya titlar (f.å. 62). Möjligheten att - med nuvarande stegrade kurser på pund och dollar - köpa in utländsk litteratur är starkt begränsade. Nya titlar tillförs nu främst genom donationer, recensioexemplar och utbyten.

AFU har hela året haft pressklippssabonnemang där kostnaden delas med Riksorganisationen UFO-Sverige. Under 1982 fann AB Pressurklipp 503 artiklar i den svenska pressen (f.å. 494), varav 31 i fack/populärpress och resten i dagspress.

Tidskrifterna är den del av samlingen som ökar mest, och det har under året varit ett mycket stort intresse för utbyte från utländska tidskriftsutgivare. F.n. har vi ett reguljärt, fungerande utbyte med 93 tidskrifter och ett 40-tal andra "på försök".

AFU vill till slut tacka alla stödjande och donatorer för all värdefull ekonomisk och materiell hjälp. Tack!

Ekonomisk sammanställning 1982

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Många har hört av sig de senaste månaderna och undrat "vart Nyhetsbladet tagit vägen". Frågan var berättigad, men frånvaron har naturligtvis en orsak - den att man inte kan göra två ting samtidigt! Under ett antal månader har jag jobbat intensivt med olika uppslag ang. 1930-talets "spökflygare", och när det sedan blir dags att "tillverka" ett nyhetsblad ligger något 100-tal fritidstimmar "mellan start och mål". På ett halvår hinner mycket att hända: en "halvmeter" tidskrifter ska gås igenom i jakt på boknyheter och annat matnyttigt; artiklar ska skrivas, översättas, redigeras, renskrivas; bokföringen måste hänga med; lika så korrespondens med en rad av våra "utlandskorrespondenter"; adressregistret måste hållas up-to-date så utskickade tidningar verkligen når fram - allt detta ligger på en hand!

Under 1982 klarade vi bara att ge ut två nummer (24 & 25). Det kan tyckas mindre hänsynsfullt mot Dig som läsare att lova tre nummer men bara klara två, eller hur? Samvetet är dock inte helt nedsvärat eftersom de två nummer vi gett ut faktiskt varit ganska innehållsrika och informativa. Den förminskade "katalogtexten" gör att vi får in mycket text på varje sida, och vi slösar inte utrymme på meningslösa illustrationer - i själva verket är det nummer Du nu håller i handen det "tyngsta" vi någonsin gett ut. Dessutom: pengarna hade inte räckt till fler utgåvor! Läs ekonomi-rapporten (ovan) och Du ser då att de avgifter vi får in faktiskt bara räcker till två nummer på ett verksamhetsår (om vi inte ska plocka ex.vis portona ur egen ficka).

Frågan är då: ska vi lova tre nummer under 1983? Vi vägar inte det, eftersom vi redan är långt inne på året och har en ganska "knackig" ekonomi. Ett sätt att hjälpa oss vore att var och en som nu stödjer oss "skaffar" en annan person som också stödjer oss, eller prenumererar på nyhetsbladet. Bums, skulle vi då ha 6.000 att röra oss med, det skulle kännas som ett hav av pengar och vi skulle kunna ge ut upp till fyra nummer per år. Att definitivt minska utgivningen till två nummer per år känns inte roligt när nyhetsbladet ligger oss så varmt om hjärtat!

Som Du kanske märkt har vi också försökt göra litet reklam för AFU i t.ex. UFO-Sverige Aktuellt och Arcanum. Ett antal nya stödjande har detta gett, men någon "strid ström" har det inte varit! Därför utmanar denna lilla epistel till Dig i en uppmaning att även under 1983 stödja oss. Vi får gång på gång påskrivet - inte minst från våra utländska kontakter - att det vi gör är ganska unikt på området. Vi är fast beslutna att fortsätta, men blir ekonomin för dålig tvingas vi dra ned på nyhetsbladets volym, eller på antalet nummer per år. Ett nyhetsblad kan ju i och för sig fortsätta att vara ett nyhetsblad även om det bara är på 2 eller 4 sidor, men det vore synd, eller hur? Inbetalningskort för -83 finns i tidningen, om Du nu inte redan har betalat. Och Du, glöm inte det där med att skaffa en ny prenumerant eller stödjande. Tillhör Du kanske dom som gratisläser nyhetsbladet i andra hand. Varför inte stödja oss direkt??

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